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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Knapik**

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General  
 Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act changing the maximum required age for school attendance.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Knapik | Second Hampden and Hampshire |
| Mr. Tarr | First Essex and Middlesex |
| Todd M. Smola | 1st Hampden |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S00329 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act changing the maximum required age for school attendance.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*SECTION 1.  Section 1 of chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1 to 2, the words “and maximum ages established for school attendance by the board of education” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- age established for school attendance by the board of education and the age of 18.

SECTION 2.  Section 1 shall apply to all cities, towns, and regional school districts, notwithstanding section 27C of chapter 29, and without regard to any acceptance or appropriation by a city, town or regional school district or to any appropriation by the general court.